Whitestown Town Council Meeting February 14, 2012

Dawn S calls the February 14, 2012 Town Council meeting to order at 6:33 pm. Roll Call: Dawn Semmler, Susan Austin, Julie Whitman, Kevin Russell; Eric Miller all present. Pledge

Dawn S asks if there are any Changes to Agenda necessary. **Julie W** requests to add Parks Board as #8 NB to Agenda; Dawn S requests the addition of Storage Unit as #9 NB to agenda, Susan A 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes; Susan A m/m to approves minutes of January 10, 2012 Town Council Meeting with changes noted; Eric M 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried.

Presentation:

- 1) Brandon Vinson: Town Resolution 2012-2, Susan A m/m to approve Resolution 2012-2 Recognizing Honorary Fire Fighter Brandon Vinson; Eric M 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried.
- Go Kart Grand Prix update; Need answer soon for funds on streets; Dawn S said "we want to do this-need to figure our funds to proceed.
- 3) Dax Norton: EDC Update: Dax proceeds to update council on Meijer Project (not in 2012); Whitestown Tax Rate went down; Right to Work Passing; OCRA updates; 4 leads came in today, feels 2012 will be a "get this finished kind of year".

CONSENT AGENDA

- 1) Ratification of Information; Kevin R m/m to approve, Susan A 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried.
- 2) Conflict of Interest Disclosure, Dawn Semmler; Council Signed
- 3) Emergency Utility electrical repairs, Sewer Lift Station
- 4) Board & Commission Appointments: Discussion ensues;
- 5) Performance Bonds, Walker Farms Subdivision; Authorization for release was granted by council
- 6) Apply for RTP Grant; Authorization was granted by council for Tom C to pursue Grant Opportunities.
- 7) Resolution Concerning Interest in the Acquisition of Property

New Business

#1 Moved to Consent Calendar

#2 Town Utility Fees and Charges related to future potential Water/Sewer Customers; Dan Cutshaw (GRW) gives an overview of what will need to be done; fees, # of customers affected. Susan A m/m to approve RD Loan w/ negotiations to approve lateral hook up and tap fee; Eric M 2nd; vote 4-1 (Russell opposed) motion carried.

#3 Entry Way/Gateways; small discussion ensues; decision to remove for later date.

#4 OCRA Planning Grant: Grant Administration Agreement with Amy Miller – Whitestown Revitalization Plan; Susan A m/m for Amy Miller to proceed; Julie W 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried.

#5 Professional Planning and Engineering Services Contract (\$52,055); Susan A m/m to approve Dawn S to Sign Contract; Julie W 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried.

#6 Indianapolis 500 Event: discussion on decorations, flags. Great event for Whitestown

#7 Budget Encumbrances of Town Claims; discussion ensues and recommendations discussed.

#8 Parks Board: Julie W discusses removing herself from the Parks Board; Kevin R m/m to remove Julie W and Himself off Parks Board and appoint Allie Mullins as 5th Parks Board Member, Eric M 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried.

#9 Storage Unit: discussion ensues; decision to remove Town belongings from storage unit and discontinue storage unit.

Old Business

#1 Construction Management Services SR267 Improvements: no more than \$53,000; waiting on INDOT to say Approved; Bid 1st of March; Contract between Valenti-Held and Town; Valenti gives town \$, State reimburses Money goes back. Susan A m/m to authorize Dawn S to sign Contract; Eric M 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried.

#2 Annual Town Council Goal Setting Workshop; 5 person approval to hold off until April; Dept. Heads must send 1, 2 & 5 year goals to Julie W.

#3 Renaming of Town Roads, SR334, 650S, 400, 450 and 650E; Discussion; Susan A m/m to table until next TC meeting; Julie W 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried.

#4 Town and Township Reorganization Plan/Future Joint Meeting: Dawn S m/m to table discussions, Susan A 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried.

#5 Budget Reductions; discussion ensues, more info to follow.

#6 2012 Official Meeting Dates for Boards, Commissions and Council:

#7 Town Employee Handbook Update: Will discuss further in April.

UPDATES:

Operations: Susan A m/m for \$7,500 be paid from Utility; Karen to enter work order, Eric M 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried.

Frey Software: Amanda A and Tom C gave updates; Susan A m/m to approve accounts to be moved over and the payment to Frey from the water/sewer department; Eric M 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried.

EDC: Dawn S m/m for past amount of \$5000 to be paid to EDC; Susan A 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried.

POLICE UPDATE:

Chief Dennis Anderson gives brief update on police stats;

Consideration of Raise for Chief Anderson; from 2011; Julie W m/m to approve Chief Dennis Anderson raise; Susan A 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried.

Purchase of 4 vehicles for Police Department: Discussion ensues on necessity of the vehicles; Dawn S m/m to proceed with 3 yr. lease of 4 vehicles for the police department; Eric M 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried. Susan A m/m to amend and add authorization for Council President Dawn Semmler to sign all lease document for Huntington Bank; Eric M 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried.

Dawn S m/m to close Whitestown Town Council meeting pending signing of claims; Susan A 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried.

The minutes from a Regular Town Council meeting on February 14, 2012 are approved on the 10th day of April 2012 by the following Town Council Members

Dawn Semmler, Bresident

Eric Miller

Kevin Russell

Susan Austin

Julie Whitman

ATTEST:

Amanda Andrews, Clerk Treasurer